AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

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ABSTRACT

In a power on/off circuit apparatus, if a microcomputer 4-malfunctions, an on/off operation of a power switch 3-is executed, and thereby, the microcomputer 4-is reset. A non-volatile memory 14-stores an operating state of components just before the power switch 3-is operated. Therefore, if the microcomputer 4-malfunctions, without unplugging an AC cord, it is possible to reset the microcomputer 4-by the power switch-3, and thus, to carry the components from a state just before the reset to the next operating state.